

ELEVEN-YEAR-OLD CONVICT

Small Boy Sentenced for Seven Years for Killing.

HUDGINS A CANDIDATE

Want Policeman to be on Duty Not More Than Eight Hours.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Feb. 21.—Theophilus Robinson, an eleven-year-old negro boy, who shot and killed young Edward S. Blake on January 25, was given seven years in the penitentiary yesterday. The boy killed Blake with a .38-caliber rifle just after a rock battle between negro and white boys. An effort to being made to have the small prisoner sent to the reform school instead of to the penitentiary.

Floyd A. Hudgins, a young attorney, has announced his candidacy for the House of Delegates in the fall election. Attorney C. Aylott Ashby is mentioned as the probable opponent of Mr. Hudgins in the Democratic primary, and it is understood that the Republicans propose to put up a man.

The German steamship Palanza is at the shipyard loading two tremendous railroad locomotives to be shipped to Hamburg. The locomotives were sent to this country to be exhibited at the St. Louis Exposition.

The case of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company against A. J. Jones is still on trial in the Circuit Court. R. G. Bickford, who spoke for two days last week, began the closing argument for the shipyard yesterday, and will speak when court adjourned tonight. He will conclude the case tomorrow.

The Ordinance and Police Committee of the City Council has recommended the passage of an ordinance prohibiting the Board of Police Commissioners from requiring a member of the force to work more than eight hours in any twenty-four. The patrolmen are now required to work from eight to eleven hours.

FAIRS AND RACES.

Tasley Fair to Follow the State Fair at Norfolk.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ONANCOCK, Va., Feb. 21.—The stockholders of the Peninsula Fair Association, Tasley, met yesterday and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Judge John W. Blackstone, president; N. W. Nock, vice-president; Thomas S. Hopkins, secretary and treasurer; C. L. Johnson, John L. Ayres, Thomas S. Nelson, George F. Parker, W. T. Wright, W. H. Parker, George W. Kitchman, Henry J. Blackstone, and J. H. Blackman, members of the Executive Committee.

The eighth annual fair of the association will be held this year, the second week in August. The directors this year declared a dividend of eight per cent, making seventy-two per cent in seven years.

The fair at Tasley in 1905 will be preceded by the meeting of the Virginia State Fair at Norfolk, and followed by the one at Pocahontas City, Md., in the Maryland-Virginia Trotting Circuit.

An effort is being made to have the indebtedness of the Chesapeake Agricultural Association at Cape Charles paid off, and again have a fair there. The contractors for the fair will be held during the week beginning July 24th.

THE NORTHERN NECK.

Still Ice-Bound and Transportation in Paralyzed Condition.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WASHINGTON, Va., Feb. 21.—With the exception of the steamer Potomac, which is running between the Rappahannock and Norfolk, there is no steam communication on the Potomac or Great Wicomico Rivers. The steamer Middlesex, which left Baltimore a week ago yesterday, has been harbored at Urbana since Thursday night. The steamer Tivoli has been icebound at Beedsville one week, and the ice is still solid around her, eight inches in thickness.

The mails still run with great irregularity, and with the exception of mails brought on the steamer Potomac on Monday from Norfolk, no papers or later dates than the 15th have arrived. The contractors from Fredericksburg are unable to handle the heavy mails that are passing over their route. The roads are in a fearful condition, and there seems to be no relief in sight.

Mr. George Collier, general agent for the McCormick Machine Company in Virginia, who died in Richmond last morning, was well known in this section. In August last he married Miss Beattie Taylor, of Mount Holly, Westmoreland county, daughter of the late Lieutenant Nier Taylor, of the United States Navy.

ALBERENE NEWS.

Scarlet Fever Visits Agent's Family—New Mill and Depot.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ALBERENE, Va., Feb. 21.—There are several cases of scarlet fever in the family of the station agent here, Mr. R. O. Spencer. Louise, his youngest daughter, who has been very sick with diphtheria, is much better.

It is reported that there are several cases of scarlet fever among some negroes near Belmont, Va.

The large flour mill at Belmont is almost completed. It is being built by Messrs. Lane and Scott and a few others.

Mr. McLatchy, who is the foreman in the machine shops of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, is still in New York with his wife, who is very ill.

Mr. Harmon, who has just returned from Richmond, Va., says that the Nelson and Albemarle Railroad Company is building a new depot at this place.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bullard.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BAET RADFORD, Va., Feb. 21.—Mrs. Elizabeth Bullard, widow of the late Dr. Chester Bullard, one of the most widely known ministers in the State, died suddenly.

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denly at his home in Snowville this morning at 3 o'clock.

He had been suffering from a gripe for several days, but was not thought to be seriously ill until Monday night, when he died at a great shock to his relatives and friends.

Mrs. Bullard was a daughter of the late Robert Craig, of Newborn, and a survivor of a shipwreck. She was a woman of bright mind and attractive personality, and her death is regretted by a wide circle of friends.

Burial will be made Thursday at Snowville.

REPUBLICAN CONFERENCE

Chairman Slemm Meets With the Faithful at Martinsville.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
MARTINSVILLE, Va., Feb. 21.—A conference of the Republican reorganizers was held here today. Bascom Slemm, the new State chairman, was present, and addressing the conference. Republicans were somewhat reticent as to the object of the conference, but it was asserted that it was to discuss the reorganization of the party with the State chairman in reference to conditions in Henry county, in order to protect harmony.

Mr. C. P. Smith, the popular Martinsville postmaster, resigned the county chairmanship, and John P. Smith, who is a Democrat, was chosen in his stead. Among those present at the conference were John Taylor of Stuart; J. H. Pigg of Chatham; T. Y. Hopchins of Stuart; S. G. Proffitt of Floyd; Dexter of Harrison; A. H. Stables of Ed-Parr and S. M. Lybrook of Stuart; J. H. Carrio of Grayson; L. P. Summers of Abington; H. L. Lawson of Floyd; B. A. Davis of Rocky Mount; and J. R. Smith, J. D. Minter, J. R. Brown, J. H. Goode, C. S. Turner, George W. Booker, George W. Mitchell, William M. Peyton and others of this county.

Messrs. Slemm and Carrio addressed the conference at some length, and William M. Peyton, an erratic citizen of Martinsville, who formerly professed to be a Democrat, and who goes into every meeting where he has an opportunity to speak, and furnish some fifteen minutes' amusement to the conference.

PEOPLE IN FLUVANNA.

Skating on Ice on the Rivanna Fifteen Inches Thick.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WILMINGTON, Va., Feb. 21.—Mr. John W. Adams, former commissioner of revenue, and deputy treasurer of Fluvanna county, is critically ill at his home near this place.

Mrs. Katie Elliott is visiting Mrs. Clinton M. Miller of Richmond.

Mrs. A. O. Bell, who has had a severe attack of catarrh, is convalescing rapidly.

The young people of the vicinity have been enjoying these moonlight nights by skating on Fluvanna River, the ice on that stream being fifteen inches thick.

Dr. J. E. Gwathwaite has tendered his resignation as pastor of Lyles Baptist Church, and will leave in a few weeks for Louisville, Ky.

Washington and Lee Schedule.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LEXINGTON, Va., Feb. 21.—The senior E. W. Kelly of the Washington and Lee University base-ball team, has completed his schedule of games for the approaching season. Kelly will be taken from Lexington by the team one early in April to North Carolina, and the other near the close of the season. The team is composed of good men, who expect to play winning ball. Following is the schedule of games:

Thursday, March 23—Miller School, to be played in Lexington.

Monday, March 27—Fishburne Military Academy, in Lexington.

Tuesday, March 28—University of West Virginia, in Lexington.

Wednesday, April 5—Cultural and Mechanical College of North Carolina, in Raleigh, N. C.

Thursday, April 6—Trinity College, in Durham, N. C.

Wednesday, April 6—University of North Carolina, in Chapel Hill, N. C.

Thursday, April 6—Davidson College, in Winston, N. C.

Friday, April 14—Richmond College, in Lexington.

Monday, April 17—Davidson College, in Lexington.

Tuesday, April 18—George Washington University, in Lexington.

Friday, April 21—St. John's College, in Lexington.

Monday, April 24—Kentucky University, in Lexington.

Tuesday, April 25—Emory and Henry College, in Lexington.

Friday, April 28—Virginia Polytechnic Institute, in Lexington.

Saturday, April 29—Randolph-Macon College, in Lexington.

Friday, May 5—Georgetown College, in Lexington.

Saturday, May 13—Roanoke College, in Lexington.

Tuesday, May 16—Central University, in Danville, Ky.

Wednesday, May 17—Kentucky University, in Lexington.

Thursday, May 18—Kentucky State College, in Lexington.

Big Grain Shipment.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 21.—The shipment of corn from here to foreign countries is increasing rapidly. Many steamships from the great ports, which stop here for bunker coal, carry away corn also, and the British steamer Oceana, which sailed here yesterday, had 124,288 bushels aboard, valued at \$28,350.

The Cornhusk is bound for Norcross, Ga., via Cape Fear River. The corn has been shipped through the Norfolk and Western grain elevators within a few weeks.

Masonic Banquet.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., Feb. 21.—The members of the Masonic Lodge of this city will celebrate Washington's birthday with a banquet in the ballroom of the Hotel Richmond, which, however, will not take place until the night of February 22. Each member will be accompanied by a lady, and the occasion will be quite an enjoyable social affair.

DR. GARLAND IS NOT TO RETIRE

Well Known Presiding Elder Denies Such Report Emphatically.

CHARGE OF EMBEZZLEMENT

A Street Railway Employee Is Put Under Arrest—A Tug Saved.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, Va., Feb. 21.—Rev. Dr. J. Powell Garland, presiding elder of the Portsmouth Methodist District, was incensed at a clipping from a Norfolk paper announcing that he would retire from the office of presiding elder when the Virginia Conference meets next November.

He said: "I never heard of it before. It is an outrage. There is not a word of truth in that statement, and I am astounded that it should have been made; nobody on earth has authority for making it."

Continuing, Dr. Garland said: "The publication of such a report as that is calculated to injure me, and it is in a state of mind to be provoked. I would be, but on account of the critical illness of my daughter, I am not in such a state of mind."

A TUG IS SAVED.

The tug Conqueror was towed in this morning by the W. N. French Wrecking and Dredging Company from Sewell's Point, where she sank two weeks ago. She was taken to Taylor's Railway for repairs, which will be extensive. As she lay at Berkeley this morning, a nine-inch camp could not keep her clear of water.

The Baltimore schooner W. H. Dix, which came in here in distress the other day on her way from San Pedro de Balmora, has aboard 335,000 coconuts and 2,000 grape fruit. Captain Matheson declared to-day at the custom house what he has aboard. The schooner will proceed to Baltimore when navigation opens in Chesapeake Bay.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED.

Charles H. Dekalb, an employee of the Street Railway Company, has been arrested at Port Norfolk on a warrant charging the embezzlement of \$18.50 from the Daughters of Liberty of Cumberland, Md., an auxiliary of the Jr. O. U. A. M. Dekalb was committed to jail to await the arrival of Maryland officers with requisition papers.

John and Daisy Dillon, interesting young girls, who were taken in custody by direction of Chief of Police Boush, were, in the Police Court this morning, turned over to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Both have been selling from holders from house to house and begging, and the allegation of the police is that their father has been doing nothing. The children deny this, however, and say he has been keeping a shop and working. The Dillon family is said to have come here from Wilmington, Del.

Mr. Mill's New Plans.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Mr. Harrington Mills, many years proprietor of the Graton, Washington, D. C., and well known as manager of the Old House, has assumed the management of Whiteface Inn, Lake Placid, in the Adirondacks, New York, one of the most desirable resorts in that region.

HIS WIFE WOKE HIM UP.

Connecticut Man Nearly Choked to Death in Night.

No comment is needed on the following letter. It tells of fearful experiences that have fortunately been overcome.

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"Often in the night my wife had to wake me up because I was almost choking to death with catarrh. I had one of the worst cases that was ever known, and several physicians said it was chronic.

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AETNA LIFE INSURANCE CO.,

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Location of home or principal office of said Company—HARTFORD, CONN.

Name of the resident agent in Virginia—J. B. MOORE and W. W. HARDWICKE.

Residence—RICHMOND, VA.

Amount of capital stock: \$5,000,000.00

Number of policies and the amount of insurance effected thereby in force at end of previous year: 130,008 \$228,302,877.00

Number of policies and the amount of insurance effected during the year: 15,004 28,550,967.00

Total: 145,012 \$256,853,844.00

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Whole number of policies in force and the amount of liabilities or risks thereon at end of year: 135,544 \$237,292,002.00

Amount of premiums received—Life, \$9,470,427.84; Accident, \$12,810,151.25

Amount of interest received: 5,019,140.42

Amount of rents received: 41,950.27

Amount of all other receipts: 27,908.92

Total: \$15,931,538.70

Amount of losses paid—Life, \$2,500,000.00; Accident, \$1,231,022.00

Amount of matured endowments paid (Life): 1,628,000.00

Amount paid annuities: 688,104.74

Losses accrued by first mortgage on real estate: 7,937.52

Amount paid for surrenders values: 514,022.72

Amount of company's policies, annuities and collateral: 5,552,850.50

Amount of dividends paid to stockholders—Life, \$200,000.00; Accident, 250,000.00

Amount paid for expenses: 250,000.00

Amount of taxes: 48,100.45

Amount of all other disbursements, viz.: Accident: 3,628,348.10

Total: \$10,758,850.90

ASSETS.

Bonds, market value: \$30,117,818.62

Stocks, market value: 6,747,023.00

Real estate, unencumbered, market value: 688,104.74

Loans secured by first mortgage on real estate: 22,000,000.00

Cash in banks, trust companies and company's office: 754,022.72

Loans on company's policies, annuities and collateral: 5,552,850.50

Loans secured by pledge of stocks and bonds: 1,000,000.00

Loans due and accrued: 2,157.80

Uncollected and deferred premiums: 67,119.88

All other assets: 55,145.87

Carried out at market value—Total: \$78,761,921.83

Amount of losses unpaid—(unaudited, \$104,794) related, \$27,000.00

Amount of matured endowments unpaid: 104,794.00

Amount of interest on policies, Acc. to 1904: 514,022.72

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